

December 17, 2012

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at City Hall for their regular second monthly meeting with the following members present: Opp, Hamilton, Hanlon, Anderson, Heitmann, and Brotherton (by telephone), and Mayor Olson presiding.

Chris Hanson, Carol Smith and Tina Kosel came before the Council to request permission to have a fireworks display after the evening performance of the Carnival of Silver Skates on Jan 27 to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Carnival. Lew's Fireworks will shoot off about a 5 minute show. Contracts and insurance papers were examined. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Opp to grant permission for the display and to allow the shooter to set up on the baseball complex parking lot. All members present voted aye.

The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Opp and seconded by Anderson. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Hanlon to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

Cons Fed Cr Union	1,050.00	emp savings
First State Bank	5,863.65	ss & wh
A&B Business Inc	3,630.15	copier
AFLAC	705.05	emp ins
A-Tech	970.00	vac & televise sewer
Cannon Tech	1,045.50	retrofit boards
Car Quest	37.48	filter
Colonial Research	109.95	cleaner
Farmers Union Coop	1,598.70	dsl
Fastenal Co	154.86	fasteners
Groton Ford	567.32	repairs
Groton Independent	217.51	publishing
Groton Vet Clinic	19.80	gloves
Guardian Ins	352.92	emp ins
Heartland Cons Power District	63,285.95	power
James Valley Communications	676.14	telecomm
Ken's Food Fair	1,382.84	gas, cleaners
Krueger Bros	690.11	black dirt, buckshot
Locke Electric	1,183.35	lift repairs, serv line
Main St Designs	101.90	Xmas lights
Olde Bank Floral & More	30.00	plant
Pizza Ranch	389.41	Xmas food
RDO-John Deere Credit	2,227.21	repairs
Schwan Electric	85.50	test
SD Supplement Retirement	1,300.00	emp retirement
Steven Lust Auto	63.00	repair
Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield	10,293.49	group ins
Western Area Power Adm	27,097.08	power

Moved by Anderson and seconded by Opp to authorize Mayor Olson to sign the joint powers agreement with Northeast Council of Governments for 2013. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Anderson and seconded by Hamilton to authorize Water Supt Terry Herron to attend the SD Rural Water conference in Pierre on Jan 8-9. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Brotherton and seconded by Hanlon to authorize electric lineman Jamie Harrington to attend the JUTS training in Sioux Falls from Jan 22-24. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Opp and seconded by Hamilton to authorize all public works employees to attend the safety class in Aberdeen on one of the days between Jan 22-25. All members present voted aye.

A bid on the Public Surplus Internet Auction Site of \$4,900 for the Tahoe will not be accept and the Tahoe will be withdrawn for sale by sealed bids on Jan 21.

A survey from Governor's Office of Economic Development was discuss and filled out.

After a discussion on types of electric heat, load control, and system backups, it was agreed to change 2 heat source rate qualifications. Moved by Heitmann and seconded by Hamilton to give 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading to Ordinance No. 680, The Electric Rate Ordinance. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Opp and seconded by Hamilton to adjourn into executive session at 7:53pm to discuss legal matters. Council reconvened at 8:17pm.

Meeting adjourned.

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Roy L. Olson, Mayor

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Anita Lowary, Finance Officer